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COMMENT OF THE DAY

NEW ZEALAND IMPORT CUTS

THE New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr. Nash, announces that imports are to be licensed, which means some goods will be excluded and others restricted. Britain, of course, will suffer most and at a time when exports are expanding so the decision will come as a severe blow to her.

The effect on British trade will be enormous as New Zealand is the country's sixth biggest customer and buys more from Britain than from anyone else.

UK Exports

LAST year New Zealand bought British products worth about £140 million, including 30,000 motor vehicles and large quantities of textiles.

Although the full effect of the new decree is not yet known it seems certain that Hongkong will also suffer and an increasingly potential market possibly will be partly or even totally lost in some cases.

The decree stated that "manufactured goods" are included in the new licensing schedule. Although this term covers a very wide range of products many Hongkong exports to New Zealand will undoubtedly come within this category.

Are Small

LOCAL manufacturers admit that our exports to New Zealand, \$16 million or more last year, are small as compared with the Colony's total exports.

But this \$16 million has been built up from a very meagre beginning. In 1952 only \$84 million worth of goods were exported so it can be seen that there has been a gain of over \$12 million in a matter of five years and reliable sources are of the opinion that there could have been further expansion.

As the Secretary of the General Chamber of Commerce told the China Mail yesterday it is a pity that Hongkong should run against a sun like this when exporters were just beginning to see the worthwhile results for the work they had put into developing this market.

Warning

WHILE it is right to adopt a wait-and-see attitude the New Zealand move might be taken as a warning that other countries could impose similar measures to the disadvantage of Hongkong's manufacturers.

The need for more intense exploration into other world markets is self-evident and one way of doing this is to expedite Sir Alexander Grantham's proposal for a Federation of Hongkong Industries.

In Your Saturday Mail

In tomorrow's Weekend Mail you will have:

- ★ The Business of War — Major-General Sir JOHN KENNEDY;
- ★ Commentary by FRANK OWEN;
- ★ Is Churchill a millionaire? — BERNARD HARRIS;
- ★ Wife-slender — SYLVIA LAMOND;
- ★ Bartok — LEONARD MOSLEY;

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WE WANT PEACE: BULGANIN

Soviet Premier Sends Notes To Nato Nations For Summit Conference

By HENRY SHAPIRO

Moscow, Jan. 9.

Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin appealed to the Western nations today to join in a summit conference in the next two or three months to end the cold war.

Reaction To Russia's New Move

London, Jan. 9. Soviet Russia's fresh drive today for a summit conference has been timed to coincide with the visit of the British Prime Minister, Mr. Harold Macmillan to Delhi. British observers said here today.

Such an interpretation of the timing of the latest round in the current Soviet diplomatic offensive would be in line with recent Russian moves to mobilise Asian opinion in its support it is pointed out here.

British observers noted that Mr. Macmillan who is now having key policy talks with India's Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, was the first to receive the latest letters from the Soviet Premier Minister Marshal Nikolai Bulganin.

Manoeuvring

In Washington there was no immediate media reaction tonight to the latest Soviet letter to the United States and other governments pressing for a "summit" conference.

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Partition

Istanbul, Jan. 9. Turkish Foreign Minister, Fatih Zorlu, said today that Turkey will never accept any solution of the Cyprus problem other than partition.—United Press.

The note also called for, among other things, a non-aggression pact and an immediate cessation of nuclear tests.

The note, delivered to 19 nations including all the 15 Nato countries, said the "present international situation is characterised by a continuation of the cold war, an accelerated armament race and a direct threat to universal peace and the fate of all mankind."

Gigantic

"On the other hand," it added, there has been a "gigantic increase of the people's fighting for peace and security."

The note asked for a summit conference "in the course of the next two or three months."

"The conference might discuss above all," it added, "questions whose solution corresponds to the most ardent wishes of the peoples, and could be an important initiative toward a fundamental change in the international situation and the cessation of the cold war."

The note comes on the heels of a plea made last Saturday by British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan for a summit meeting and an East-West non-aggression pact.

Stop Tests

The note said "the Soviet Government proposes to call in the course of the next two to three months of 1958 a conference of leading statesmen on a high level in which the heads of government will participate."

The note said "the conference would have to deal with the proposals that the atomic and hydrogen weapons tests should be stopped immediately for at least two to three years."

"The proposals of the Soviet Government draw attention to the fact that an agreement on the banning of atomic and hydrogen weapons brooks no delay. The Soviet Government

tests should be stopped immediately for at least two to three years."



PREMIER BULGANIN
Diplomatic Manoeuvring

proposes to discuss at the conference the proposal of the Polish Government (The Rapacki Plan) to create in Central Europe an atom-free zone."

Another matter that would come up for discussion, the Bulganin note said, would be the Middle East.

Middle East

"A meeting of the leading statesmen would afford the opportunity for an exchange of views concerning the paths toward a relaxation of tension in the Near and Middle East."

Attempts could be made to reach a request to the effect that the great powers should take no steps whatever which would violate the independence of the countries of this region, and renounce the use of force in the solution of questions connected with the Near and Middle East."

If such a broad conference did not succeed in its objectives, the Soviet note went on, Russia "would not object to a more restricted composition of participants."

"As regards the proposal for a conference at Foreign Ministers' level," it said, "the Soviet Government's proposal says that there exists no certainty that these negotiations would lead to positive results."

Re-unification

Turning to the question of German re-unification, the note said the ending of the cold war and the expansion of international co-operation would undoubtedly favour a solution of the German question by rapprochement between the two sovereign German States.

Closing the note, Bulganin said that Russia "has unilaterally cut its forces by nearly two million men from a desire to contribute in every way to the consolidation of peace and the creation of confidence among nations."

"It hopes that the USA, Britain and France will take steps to curtail their forces and make a definite contribution toward consolidating a really universal peace," he said.—United Press.

Mysterious Slayings In Cuba

Havana, Jan. 9.

Five more bullet-riddled bodies turned up in revolt-torn Oriente Province today to bring to 14 the number of mysterious slayings in the area in the past 24 hours.

So far, at least 30 unexplained violent deaths have occurred in the easternmost Cuban province in less than three weeks.

Among the latest victims were the Jose A. Fuentes, father and son, "taken for a walk" from their home in Niquero by four unidentified gunmen. Three other bodies were found in the Guantanamo area.

American residents of Santiago were reported driving the 52 miles to Guantanamo, which nestles alongside the giant US naval base, for their most urgent shopping needs because of shortages in Santiago and "to get away from telephone threats."

DEAD CITY

Rebel followers in Santiago long have warned residents to "do no unnecessary buying" there in efforts to make the provincial capital an economic "dead city."

Informal sources said, however, that revolutionary activity was on the increase in the Guantanamo area with cane burning frequent in the immediate vicinity.

Rebel leaders said their increased activity in the heavily Americanised Guantanamo zone was intended primarily to "show the American Government that President (Fulgencio) Batista does not control the country."—United Press.

Powell To Support Government

Wolverhampton, Jan. 9. Mr. Enoch Powell, former Financial Secretary to the Treasury who resigned earlier this week, said tonight that he would continue to give the "utmost support" to the Government.

Mr. Powell resigned together with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Peter Thorneycroft, over the budget estimates. Mr. Nigel Birch, Economic Secretary to the Treasury handed in his resignation at the same time.

Tonight, Mr. Powell told a Conservative meeting here: "It will be my endeavour by word and deed and perhaps wherever possible by silence, to give my utmost support to the Government, despite all that has passed."—Reuter.

Release Of Jet Pilot

Chateauroux, Jan. 9. US Air Force officials announced tonight that the Albanian Government had agreed to release Air Force Major Howard J. Curran within a few days.

The announcement was made by the US Air Force Base here. A spokesman said the Albanian Government notified that Major Curran and the T-33 jet plane he was flying when forced down by two Albanian Mig fighter would be released "within a few days."—United Press.

Ike's Message Welcomed At Home & Abroad

London, Jan. 9.

The United States' European allies today welcomed President Eisenhower's State of the Union message and warmly endorsed his appeal to Russia to help build a genuine peace.

First authoritative appraisals in European capitals termed President Eisenhower's eight-point programme for waging total peace "realistic and constructive."

But they added a note of disappointment at the absence of a more spectacular lead against Russia's Sputnik-backed challenge to the free world.

Complete Unity

In London, government spokesmen reserved official comment until the President's message has been thoroughly studied.

But diplomatic observers said the first impression reflected complete unity of purpose between United States and her allies in their resolve to "arm to parity."

In Bonn, informed government sources said that a first glance at the text indicated it reflected the thinking of many other Nato allies at the recent Paris summit conference of the Nato alliance.

Determination

In Rome the first impression made by Eisenhower's congressional message among observers here was one of determination combined with moderation.

They regarded as sober and balanced his programme for helping to ensure the defence of the Western world coupled with his appeal to the Soviet people for genuine efforts toward real peace.

In Washington Democratic leaders in Congress joined Republicans today in general praise of the objectives of President Eisenhower's message.

The key figure in this congress, Senate Democratic Leader Lyndon B. Johnson, said the President "spoke of security and peace with the idealism which we know motivates him."

Now, Johnson said, it is necessary for all of us to co-operate so the specific steps which lead to security and peace can be found and built into a programme of actions."

The Strongest

Speaker Sam Rayburn, the head man in the House, termed the message "Eisenhower's strongest" yet.

House Republican Leader Joseph W. Martin Jr. (Massachusetts), hailed the address as a "great message... most encouraging and reassuring."

Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland (California), said it was "the strongest message I have ever heard of."

Moluccas Army Surrenders To Government

Djakarta, Jan. 9.

A Djakarta Army spokesman announced today that about 2,000 members of the revolutionary "Republic of South Moluccas" movement have surrendered to security forces on the island of Ceram.

The announcement came after reports today of a "Citizen's rebellion" in North and Central Celebes, an armed clash between soldiers and police on Ternate Island in the North Moluccas, and a Djakarta newspaper report that the Socialist and Modern Masjumi parties were planning to set up a new independent state in Sumatra.

The Army spokesman, Major Harsono, said the South Moluccas rebels had told of widespread discontent among the ranks of the movement which declared an independent state in April, 1950. He said that an appeal of President Soekarno had helped persuade the rebels to surrender.

Armed Clashes

Ceram, in the East Indonesian archipelago, is north of the island of Ambon where the Moluccas Republic was proclaimed last year. The Indonesian troops first fought the Indonesian Army there and when defeated fled to Ceram where armed clashes had been reported until recently.

The report about a Socialist-Masjumi plan for an independent Sumatran State came from the Leftist Bintang Timur in Djakarta. It reported that representatives of the two parties have been conferring on the move in West Sumatra since December.

The newspaper quoted Masjumi official Dudi Samad as telling delegates to the conference that the new state would be proclaimed unless the constituent assembly adopts Moslem principles as the basis of the Indonesian constitution. The new state was planned to be completely dissociated from Java, the newspaper said.—United Press.

DOCKERS RETURN TO WORK

Colombo, Jan. 9.

The All-Ceylon Harbour and Dock Workers Union today called off their strike and asked members to return to work.

The move by the Union came in the wake of reports that the Government was about to enforce the "essential services order" to keep the harbour going.

Armed police continued to patrol the docks.

Meanwhile Premier Solomon Bandaranaike's old political party, Sinhala Mahasabha, passed a series of resolutions asking the Government to gain control of the port.—United Press.

Congress Moves

Washington, Jan. 9.

Congress cleared the way today for immediate action on one key portion of President Eisenhower's new defense plans.

The House Armed Services Committee was ordered to meet on Saturday on legislation to authorize a \$550,000,000 outlay for dispersal of Strategic Air Command bases and for emergency construction related to missile and warning functions.—United Press.

ANTI-COMMUNIST PLATFORM

Singapore, Jan. 9.

Mr. Chew Swee-kee, President of Singapore's governing Labour Front, said today his party would fight the August Legislative Assembly elections on an "all-out anti-Communist platform."

The Labour Front is a moderate party. Mr. Chew said the recent City Council elections "revealed the presence of Communist elements in Singapore."

He said if electors were indifferent: "They might find themselves living in a country overrun by people who are directly or indirectly controlled by Communists." Referring to the City Council, he said: "If Singapore's good name is not to be damaged, some of the councillors should stop playing to the gallery so much."—Reuter.

QUAKE PROOF ATOMIC REACTOR TALKS

Warrington, Jan. 9.

A 10-man Japanese atomic mission spending six weeks in Great Britain arrived here tonight for a three-day conference with executives of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority industrial group.

The talks will deal mainly with Japan's special problem in relation to the construction of

an atomic reactor—earthquakes. Leader of the party is Ipporu Matsu, Vice-President of the Japan Atomic Energy Company. Heading a group of scientists is Kiyoshi Muto, Professor of Sciences at Tokyo University.

Mr. Matsu told the United Press: "Our object is to obtain the fullest possible information on all the problems

surrounding an atomic energy project. Particularly as they apply to Japan where earthquakes occur without warning."

"An earthquake involved an atomic reactor, many lives would be endangered. We have brought a film showing scenes of actual earthquakes in Japan and we shall show it to the scientists at Warrington tomorrow."—United Press.

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We'd Stop The H-Tests: Bevan

Britain Should Set An Example For Other Powers

London, Jan. 9.

Aneurin Bevan, Foreign Minister in the Labour Party's Shadow Cabinet, said tonight that if the Labour Party regained power at the next British elections, it would stop nuclear bomb tests in the hope that other powers would follow Britain's example.

"In the view of the Labour Party," said Bevan, who is potentially Britain's next Foreign Secretary, "nuclear tests should stop and Britain should stop them as an example to the other powers."

In a B.B.C. broadcast, Bevan was answering radioed questions from journalists in Moscow, Paris, Munich and New York.

Asked by a Soviet journalist what would happen if other powers refused to follow the British example, Bevan said: "The Soviet Union has offered to stop tests, so presumably Russia would follow the British example."

"This would leave the United States. I doubt whether in such circumstances the United States would agree to be left out."

Dealing with negotiations with Russia and the possibility of a summit meeting, Bevan said "our experience has been that where an agreement with the Soviet Union is precise — that is to say where it has involved a definite piece of territory or has centred round the disposition of arms — it has been kept."

Non-Aggression

Bevan agreed that Foreign Ministers' talks should precede any summit meeting, but thought a date should be fixed for the summit meeting first. Otherwise, he said, the talks at the lower level would never get above ground.

Bevan approved a non-aggression pact but said such a pact "by itself without definite and concrete agreements may do more harm than good."

He thought that the pact could be left to stand by itself for an indefinite length of time and should be followed by a heads of state meeting.

This meeting could try to do something about "relaxing tension in more frictional parts of the world — for example, Central Europe and the Middle East."

Bevan supported the idea of an atom-free zone in the centre of Europe. "If we could reach

such an agreement and keep it the whole climate of opinion would be more favourable for further agreement," he said.

Bevan said that to accomplish the reunification of Germany, a primary condition would have to be that a reunited Germany should undertake not to join the Western bloc but agree to neutralisation.

He said the presence and the influence of the Russians in the Middle East should be recognised, and the position of the state of Israel must also be accepted.

He said the great powers should guarantee Israel's frontier against neighbouring states and guarantee neighbouring states against Israel.

He stated his opposition to the flights of American bombers over Europe carrying H-bombs. "We shall do our best to see that this practice is not continued," he said. — France-Press.

Million To One Chance

London, Jan. 10.

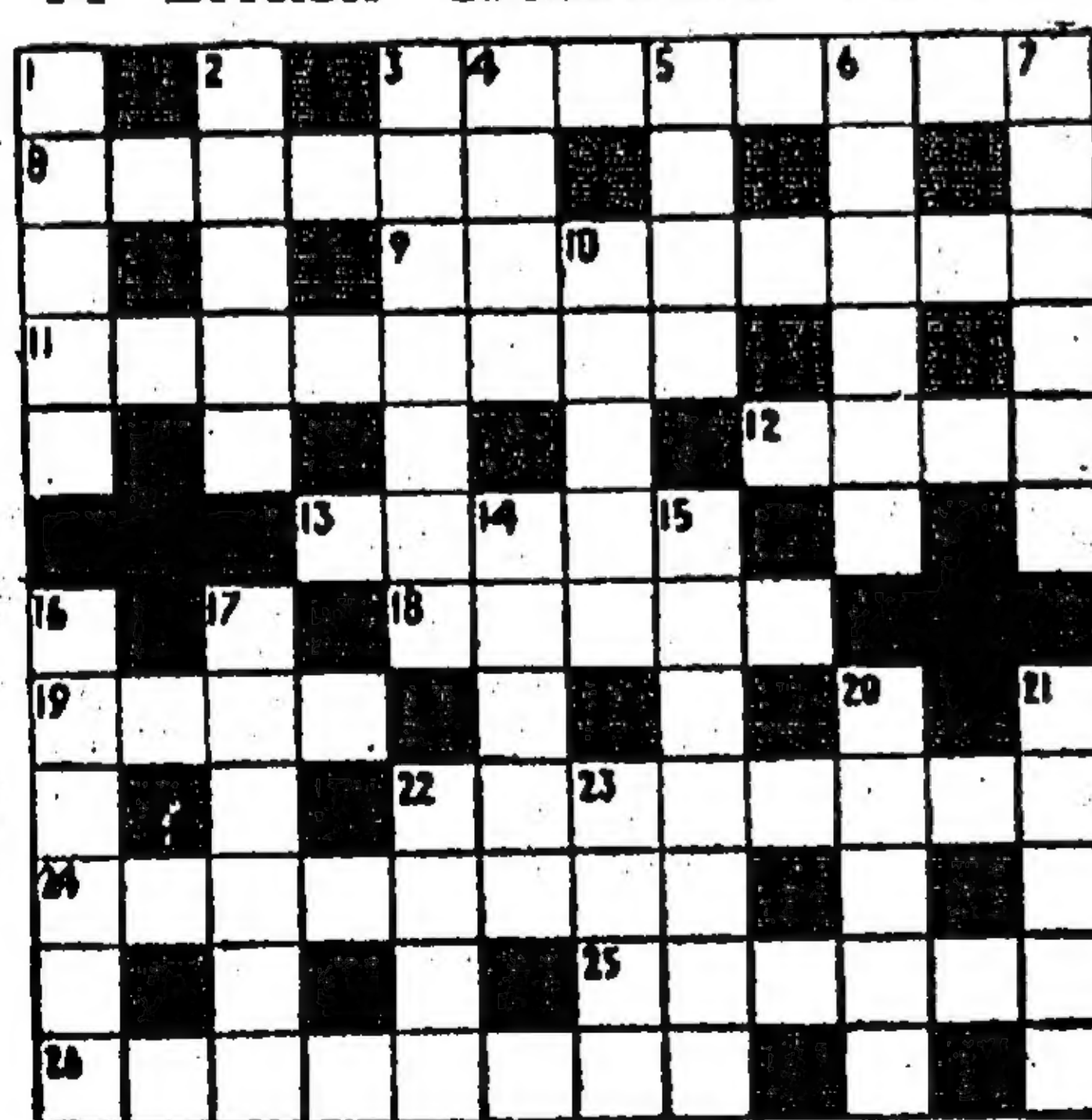
The Daily Mail correspondent at Scott Base asserts today that Dr Vivian Fuchs has only a "million to one chance" of completing his crossing of Antarctica.

Noel Barber, in a copyright despatch from the base, reports: "I say that if Fuchs who is now weeks behind his schedule, did manage to bring it off, it would be by a million to one chance which would involve dire risks to his men."

— Reuter.

Luton, Jan. 9. Sir John Burgoyne, 83, entered school today to learn typing. "Can't read my own writing, you know," he said. — United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Firmness of character (8).
- 6 Coin sometimes called mighty (6).
- 9 Interval, not necessarily for refreshment (6).
- 11 Game (8).
- 12 Pure water? (4).
- 13 Action in film studio? (5).
- 18 Musical work (5).
- 19 Channel Island (4).
- 22 Prepare eggs in a hurry? (8).
- 24 In the money (8).
- 25 Fine stuff (6).
- 26 He may go about with a crook (8).

DOWN

- 1 Something to proclaim (5).
- 2 Pennyworth? (5).
- 3 Baby Italian (7).
- 4 Turf (4).
- 5 Old catfish (4).
- 6 Fruity mount (6).
- 7 Group of numbered players (6).
- 10 Correspond (5).
- 14 Ultra-modern travel venue? (5).
- 15 Stood a round (7).
- 16 Fleeced? (6).
- 17 Not much of a sweet (6).
- 20 On a higher level (6).
- 21 Insignificant officer? (6).
- 22 So characterised (4).
- 23 The wavy navy, in short (4).

THURSDAY'S SOLUTION.—Across: 3 Mesquite, 7 Outdo, 8 Neutral, 10 Reader, 12 Delayed, 15 Rare, 17 Created, 18 Dispute, 20 Eels, 21 Samples, 22 Deline, 23 Treatise, 24 Nuts, 25 Response, Down: 1 Board, 2 Sling, 3 Mope-y, 4 Eels, 5 Anarat, 6 Embued, 9 Ertels, 11 Kerie, 12 Damps, 14 Dreads, 15 Ramps, 16 Refer, 18 Deblor, 19 Sleeps, 22 Meets, 23 Liver, 24 Sassa, 25 Qits.

BARBED BARRIER FOR REBELS



To prevent any leakage of rebels and arms, French authorities are fortifying the Tunisian border in Algeria. Photo shows natives employed for setting up barbed wire along the Tunisian border. — Keystone.

A New Stone Age Village Found In China

Relics Of Ancient Culture

Paris, Jan. 9.

A new stone age settlement has been discovered in the border area between Sienyang and Hingping counties near Sian in southern Shensi Province, the New China News Agency quoting the People's Daily reported.

The settlement, covering 1,500,000 square metres, is one of ancient cultural sites of different periods found by archaeological teams in southern Shensi between late October and December last.

POTTERY

Relics so far unearthed from the settlement include fragments of painted pottery utensils, pottery jars, stone hatchets and chisels and stone and bone ornaments.

They were buried in layers of three metres deep, the agency said. Over one thousand relics have also been given to the archaeological teams by the people in southern Shensi Province. — France-Press.

In Control Of Both Cars?

Blackpool, Jan. 9. Roderick McLeod, 51 went to court today to fight a case in which he is charged with being in charge of two automobiles while drunk.

Police said McLeod staggered out of a bar, passed his own car and sat in someone else's parked half a block away where he was arrested.

They said that technically he was in charge of both cars because he had the keys of his own on him and the keys to the one he sat in were in the ignition. — United Press.

Mayflower II's Trip

PUT AFLOAT ON SEA OF BALONEY: SKIPPER

London, Jan. 9. The Mayflower II, whose successful crossing of the North Atlantic last year with a crew in fancy dress is still remembered by yachtsmen and carousers, was "put afloat on the sea of baloney," her own skipper, Commander Alan Villiers, stated in a talk before the Royal Empire Society in London today.

He said he disliked the kind of publicity which surrounded her launchings. "I had nothing to do with that," he said. "All I had to do was to sail the ship."

The Scrolls Prove Christ A Myth, Says A Red Paper

Moscow, Jan. 9.

The official Communist youth organ Komsomolskaya Pravda said today that the discovery of Dead Sea Scrolls in 1947 offered "conclusive proof" of the mythical character of Moses and Jesus.

The newspaper said: "The Scrolls written in the first and second centuries of the pre-Christian era enabled scholars to conclude that the message of the Divine Messenger existed among Essenes (members of an ancient Jewish sect) long before the New Testament ascribes the birth of a mythical Christ."

"The principal traits of Jesus were consequently developed before the appearance of Christianity."

The newspaper described the New Testament as "A new variant of old fables." It said that the "So-called Holy Scriptures are of earthly not divine origin and that neither Moses by divine inspiration nor Christ's Apostles wrote those books under the dictation of their teacher."

CONTRADICTIONS

"They (the Scriptures) were written on tables and on scrolls by the commonest people," said the newspaper.

The Komsomolskaya Pravda noted that "The Dead Sea Scrolls predated the Bible by no less than one thousand years."

"This enables the list of contradictions and absurdities to be contained in the Holy Writ," said the newspaper.

"The contradictions are so numerous that they evoked smiles of educated people even in the Middle Ages."

The newspaper's conclusion was: "Religion lost all its foundation in our country where only the unpleasant memories remain of exploiting classes."

"However, some part of our population retains faith in the holiness of the Bible. But new scientific discoveries dealt a crushing blow to these backward views." — United Press.

Good Turn

Sydney, Jan. 9.

G. E. Carver, looked with dismay at his car, which had just been recovered from the main who mole it.

"You've painted the top green!" Carver said to William Olden McCall, 31, the accused thief.

"Well, it needed painting," McCall replied. "Didn't you see those rust spots on it?" — United Press.

Nehru Welcomes Macmillan's "Non-Aggression" Proposal

New Delhi, Jan. 9. Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru told visiting Prime Minister Harold Macmillan today he welcomed his proposal for a non-aggression pact between the Western powers and Russia.

Mr Nehru, speaking at a banquet in honour of Mr Macmillan expressed hope that such a pact would become reality. Mr Macmillan reciprocated Mr Nehru's sentiments. There was a need, he said, to "remove from the world the fear of international conflict which, in the conditions of today, could only produce destruction and devastation."

ULTIMATE DANGER

Mr Nehru said: "All that can be said of the past few years is that we have carried on and avoided the ultimate danger."

"We had ultimate danger shadowing us and endangering the lives of people because of the fear of a bad companion," he said.

Despite "basic differences" between countries and their social systems "there is an enormous fund of goodwill in the world and a very great degree of commonness of the certainty of avoiding war and of lessening tensions," the Indian Prime Minister said.

"Now a psychological moment seems to have come when people expect a big step toward a peaceful solution," Mr Nehru said.

Turning to Mr Macmillan, Mr Nehru said India and a large number of people warmly welcome your suggestion and hope that this will lead to results." — United Press.

For A Change

Charlotte, Jan. 9.

A slate candidates in the Central High School election got bored with the same old titles—President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

The students announced they were running for "Big Boss, Little Boss, Pen Pusher and Moneybags." — United Press.

MANKIND HAS 20 YEARS TO DECIDE

London, Jan. 9.

British philosopher, Bertrand Russell (Earl Russell) said tonight that the world had 20 years at the most to overcome the H-bomb menace.

"If we can get this one great problem out of the way, mankind can face a greater future than anything it has known in the past," the 85-year-old writer said on television.

Lord Russell declared that Britain's manufacture of nuclear weapons did not serve the interests of the country. It merely enhanced the prestige of British ministers at conferences.

If Britain renounced manufacture and possession of the bomb, it could use its influence to abolish it altogether.

It would then be easy enough to stop other powers getting the bomb, if Russia and the United States combined.

"Unless agreement is reached, mankind is doomed," Lord Russell asserted. — China Mail Special.

Journalist Arrested

Karachi, Jan. 9.

Ghazi Inam Nabi Pundel, prominent Moslem League leader and managing-editor of the Karachi pro-Moslem League Urdu evening paper "Nauroz," and the paper's editor were arrested here today on charges of "creating enmity between two groups of people."

Pundel had threatened with death the supporters of a system of joint electoral voting, under which Pakistan's first elections are due to take place.

The Moslem League is the opposition party in the national assembly and supports a system of separate electorates. — France-Press.

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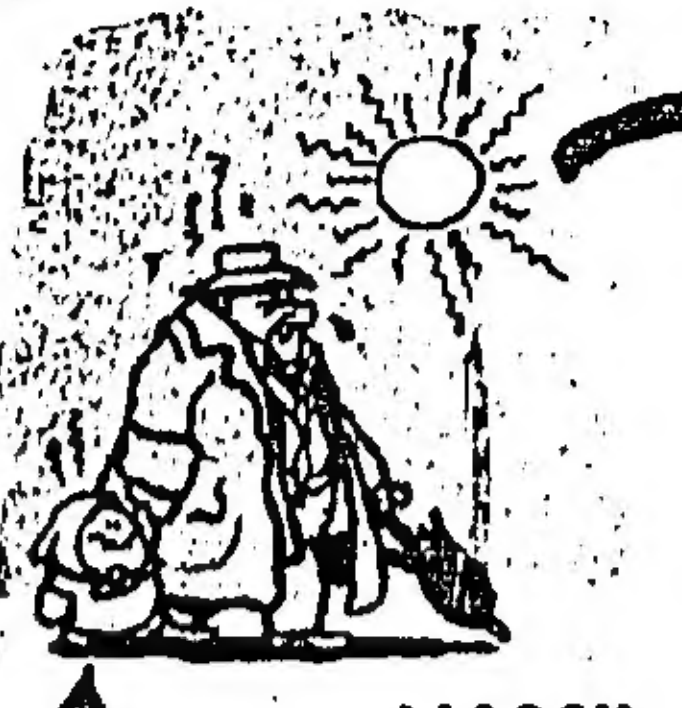








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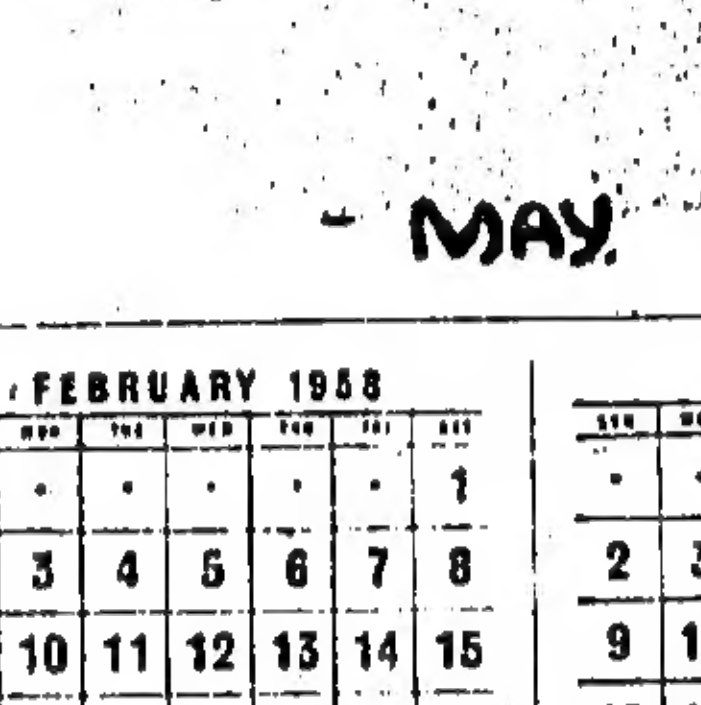
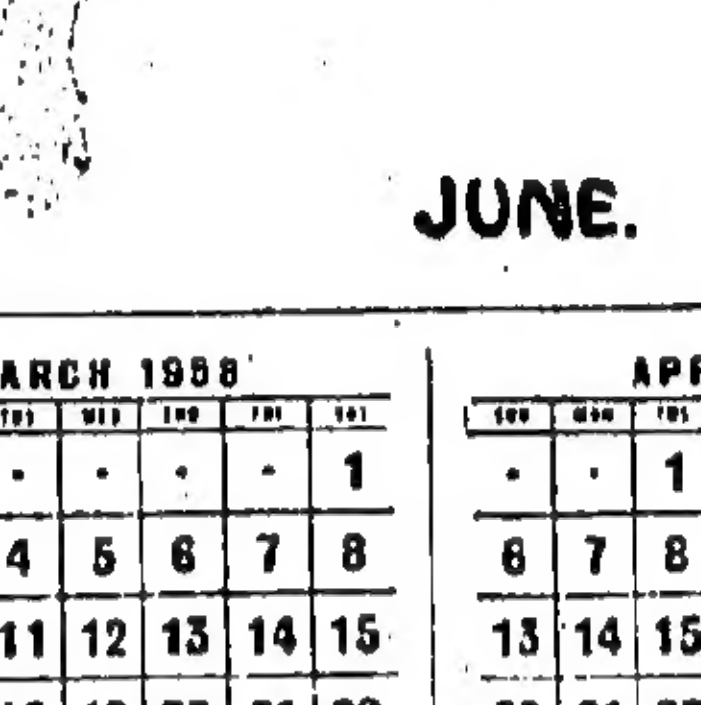
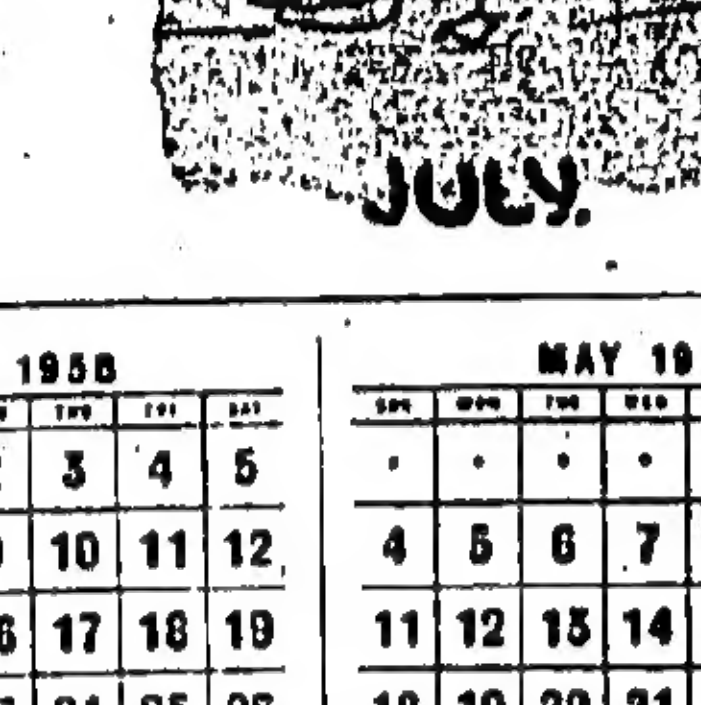
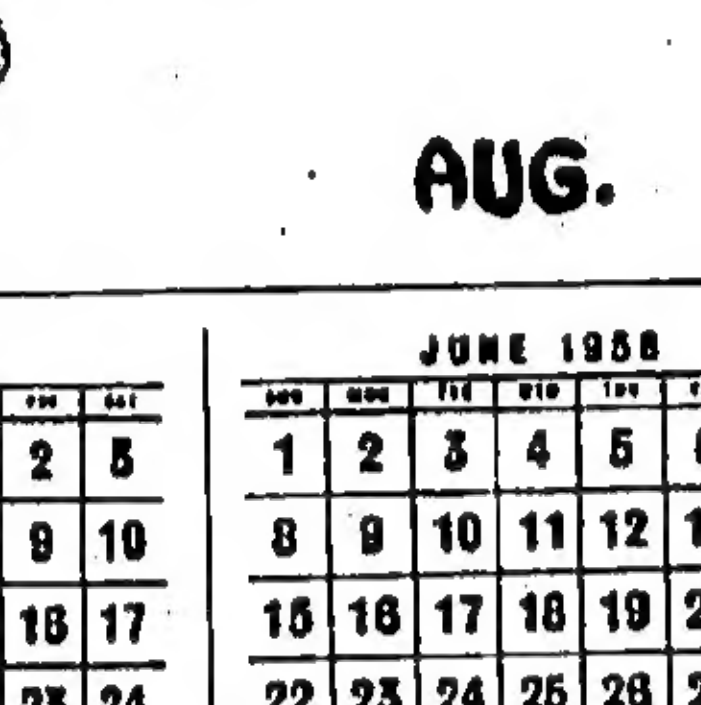

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AS 1958 slides in here is a question for all who are fascinated by the curious and incalculable world of books: Who enters the year as Britain's most influential author?

Inevitably my answer must be: Sir Arthur Bryant. What a year 1957 has been for him. At the very beginning he was caught up in the most remarkable event in the whole history of British publishing.

That event took place in the great ballroom of the Dorchester hotel in Park Lane. In the front seats the ambassadors listened. Near them the faces of generals and admirals tilted dutifully upwards. Behind, in row on row, 1,000 civilians sat hushed and awed.

Why? Who were they all listening to? Well, look at that crouching, gesturing figure on the platform. Look at that broad stretch of bald, domed head, at the spectacles impressively perched and flourished as the lecture proceeds.

This was no mere amateur at the business of marshalling a mass audience. It was Sir Arthur Bryant himself.

Such was the scene at the Dorchester when impresario Bryant, launching his book *The Turn of the Tide*, presented Viscount Almonbrooke as his leading man.

And now, as Bryant's biggest year draws to an end, another publication has put him in the public gaze once more.

His title is not quite so dramatic as *The Turn of the Tide*. To be exact, it is the *Eighth Report from the Select Committee on Estimates—Session 1956-7, War Histories*. Yet its blank official pages have a fascination all their own.

They tell us how—at a time when war books have been spinning a fortune for the publishers—the Government's own war books, the official war histories, have fallen into the market with a series of indelicate thuds. (The total loss on the 32 volumes published to date, £22,000, quite apart from the £600,000 spent on salaries for the historians and researchers since 1951 alone.)

What is it that makes this episode so astonishing? It is not because any blame attaches to Sir Arthur himself. As he has pointed out in a letter to the Press:—

The Navy spent £30,000. Its book is unfinished



Sir Arthur Bryant (left) presented Viscount Almonbrooke as his leading man when he launched his book, *The Turn of the Tide*. He now achieves fame as the author of the history that never was...

But, above all, the committee's report tells the astonishing story of Sir Arthur Bryant and the history that never was.

Look briefly at that story.

In 1946 the Admiralty commissioned Sir Arthur to write a popular history of the war at sea. Sir Arthur was given a research staff which worked under his guidance near Whitehall. In all six people joined that staff. Yet, in 1953, when the project was abandoned, not a syllable had been printed. The total cost of the unwritten history: £30,000, out of which Sir Arthur contended himself with £250 in out-of-pocket expenses.

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"I repeatedly suggested that an historian able to devote the whole of his professional time to the task should be appointed in my place. It was the Admiralty's very flattering wish that the book should be written by me in spite of the difficulties involved."

Very flattering. Sir Arthur's point strikes home. For of course the story of this literary groundnuts, scheme is centred on the extraordinary status of Sir Arthur. Sooner than get any other man, the Lords of the Admiralty were prepared to hand out £30,000 at the risk of getting nothing at all.

Why? What explains the Bryant prestige? Among the history experts Bryant is chiefly known as the man who did justice to the paunchy, woman-loving ghost of Samuel Pepys. Until the 1930's the ordinary reader regarded Pepys merely as the seventeenth-century diarist with the seven-year itch.

Arthur Bryant punched home the truth. He showed, in three splendid books, that Pepys was virtually the founder of the modern Royal Navy. Yet the service Bryant did for Pepys

cannot explain his status today. For let this be faced: Bryant is now more than an historian. On great issues he has become the chosen Laureate of the Establishment. When the views of the Best People are given to the public, it is Bryant who does the giving.

When Sir Arthur edited the Almonbrooke diaries, with all their criticism of Churchill, he set the match to a controversy which shocked and distressed millions. Yet Sir Arthur was not blamed. A lesser man might have been accused of venting some deep-felt resentment against war-leader Churchill. But not Sir Arthur.

For Arthur Bryant is the public relations man for Britain's martial heroes. In a series of splendid popular histories (sample: *The Age of Elegance 1815-22*, republished by Penguin next month) he has cooked up the roast beef of Old England until it sizzles. Again and again he has praised the men who made Britain strong—or, he claimed, the periods when Britain was slabby and weak.

Thus in 1950, when a heavy Sunday newspaper wanted a

summary of the post half-century, 2,000 words from Sir Arthur appeared as a matter of course.

Leading back, Sir Arthur wrote:—

"The foreign policy of Baldwin's Britain was the foreign policy of the ostrich with the Government's head only a little less in the sand than that of the Opposition and country. The result was that, while the totalitarian Powers of Germany, Russia, Italy and Japan were steadily marching to world dominion, the British Empire remained grouped round the parish pump, watching cricket, football, and tennis..."

Well—it may be said—what is wrong with that criticism? Just one thing. This week I have been examining what the man who wrote those accusing words was doing himself at the time.

The answer is startling. While the totalitarian Powers were steadily marching, historian Bryant was evidently denouncing anyone who wanted to stop them.

Flattering but hard on the taxpayers

BOOKS by ROBERT PITMAN

Bitterly Bryant attacked the people in Britain who objected to the faith, the selfless humility and Liberals. Above all they included Winston Churchill.

An odd coincidence, isn't it, that it should be Sir Arthur Bryant, who should win such attention by beginning the people who opposed Baldwin Almonbrooke v. Churchill controversy in 1957?

He spoke of "the truth, Europe. They included Socialists and Liberals. Above all they included Winston Churchill."

Yet, of course, there were people who did not share Bryant's views. There were people who opposed Baldwin Almonbrooke v. Churchill controversy in 1957?

"In their insensate hatred of Germany and Italy and of all who have any truck with these countries, these new war-mongers are like the old Bourbons; they forget nothing and they learn nothing."

In 1936, when the British athletes at the Berlin Games marched past Hitler without giving the Nazi salute, Bryant, chronicler of British glory, wrote:—

"I cannot see why they should not have gone a little out of their way to make this friendly gesture to their hosts..."

And, when the popular British Press—with cartoons such as *Low in the Evening Standard*—poked bitter fun at Nazi pageantry, Bryant deplored their bad manners. He pointed out that Britons had their solemn moments too.

Wrote Bryant of Hitler's Germany: "It is scarcely to be wondered at that her people are proud and solemn at the thought of her resurrection and that they regard the humble corporal and housepainter who has achieved this miracle with feelings that amount to adoration... Their proper pride in their reformed nationhood is not a fit subject for humour."

Thus Bryant wagged a pale finger at the popular Press for criticising Hitler in 1936 and 1937, when the concentration camps were filling.

By what was his attitude to Baldwin, the man with his head stuck in the sand? Of this portly ostrich Arthur Bryant wrote: "I saw him stand in the gallery at Chequers with Cromwell's death mask in his hands, and gazing at those two faces I could not say which was the stronger."

TALKOO SUGAR

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This Fine World



"Look—either turn the volume down so I can get to sleep—or turn it so I can follow the story!"

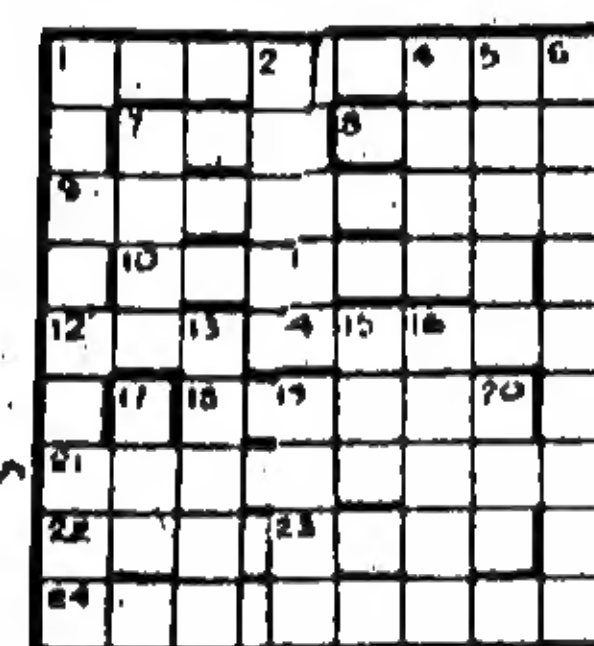
BY THE WAY

by Beac' comber

THE M.P.s who at to "a sausage-tasting rty" will probably get a fash. As in wine-tasting, there is a certain ceremonial. You tell the sausage, hold it up to the light, and then take a tiny mouthful, which you spit out.

Then conversation starts. Bouquet and body are discussed, and a generous full-bodied Littlehampton of it is compared with the more subtle Bradford '53's. A note, that combination of tea and wine which one finds in the great pre-corned-beef lunches (such

CROSSWORD



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2. An Eastern European. (4)
3. A Welsh name. (4)
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5. Upstart. (3)
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16. School names. (5)
17. The end. (4)
18. Golf course. (6)
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YOUR BIRTHDAY ... By STELLA

FRIDAY, JANUARY 10

BORN today, you are high-spirited and energetic. You have the talent for leadership but are inclined to be a little hesitant in pushing yourself forward. You are optimistically looking on the bright side of everything and figure that if the breeze don't come your way today, then there's always tomorrow! But unfortunately by then someone else may have come along and taken the spot you were angling for. Your good fortune seems to run in cycles. Tackle a new project on Tuesday or Saturday for the best results.

Since you are a companionable and sociable person, you will be happiest if you select work directly concerned with people. You probably will enjoy living in the city since it gives you the tempo you most desire. You enjoy the luxuries of life and, consequently, it is fortunate that you have a good head for business. For with money will come your ability to purchase the pleasures of living you love so much.

Guard against overdoing, for your health is not as robust as you think it is.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 11

CAPRICORN (Dec. 21-Jan. 20)—Combine business interests and a social event. You will find them mutually beneficial to your future.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Perhaps you have to work today. If so, make the best of it, but plan to attend some social function this evening.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Romantic interests are emphasized. Perhaps you are making plans for a new home with your loved one.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—A trip for pleasure may begin today. Romance is also indicated. Could it be the beginning of a honeymoon?

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—If you are co-operative with others, you will find that the benefits are much greater than anticipated.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Social events advance a romantic interest. If not your own, then perhaps that of someone very close to you.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Weak Two Bid Works On This

By OSWALD JACOBY

WEST'S opening was a good example of the weak two bid which is made with a hand just below an opening one bid in high card strength and with a good six card suit. Sometimes the bid works and sometimes it boomerangs again the user. This time it worked to a charm.

North was not going to be shut out and from the moment he stuck in his three, heart overcall his side was in trouble. South made things worse by his series of bids and when West came up with the killing opening lead the eventual penalty was a maximum.

West's opening of the queen of diamonds was really drastic and yet based on good bridge

NORTH		22
♠ A 8 3		
♥ K Q 8 5 4		
♦ K 7 3		
♣ A		
WEST (D)		EAST
♠ K Q J 10 9 5		♠ A 10 9 2
♥ 7 3		♥ A J 2
♦ Q 6		♦ K Q J 8 7
♣ 10 2		
SOUTH		
♠ 7 4 2		
♥ None		
♦ 10 9 8 5 4		
♣ A 9 5 3		
No one vulnerable		
West	North	East
2♠	3♥	Double
Pass	Pass	Double
Pass	4♥	Double
Pass	Pass	Double
Pass	Pass	Double
Opening lead—♦ Q		

sense. His partner had to have a good hand. North and South had been floundering around desperately and had finally found some sort of a fit in the diamond suit and he wanted to stop a possible cross ruff.

The lead sure stopped the cross ruff. Dummy's king covered the queen. East won with the ace and continued with the jack and deuce. South dropped a high diamond on the jack and won the third diamond lead with dummy's seven. His next play was the king of hearts. East played the ace and South ruffed.

This allowed him to make a trick with dummy's queen of hearts. He also made the ace of clubs, the ace of spades and three trump tricks for a total of six. Not very good when his contract was for 11.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been: North East South West
1♠ Pass 1♥ Pass
2♠ Pass
You, South, hold:
♠ 7 6 3 2 ♦ Q 10 9 8 5 ♠ A Q J
What do you do?
A—Bid three clubs. You are probably on your way to a slam and want to start proceedings by showing your good clubs. Your partner will not pass.

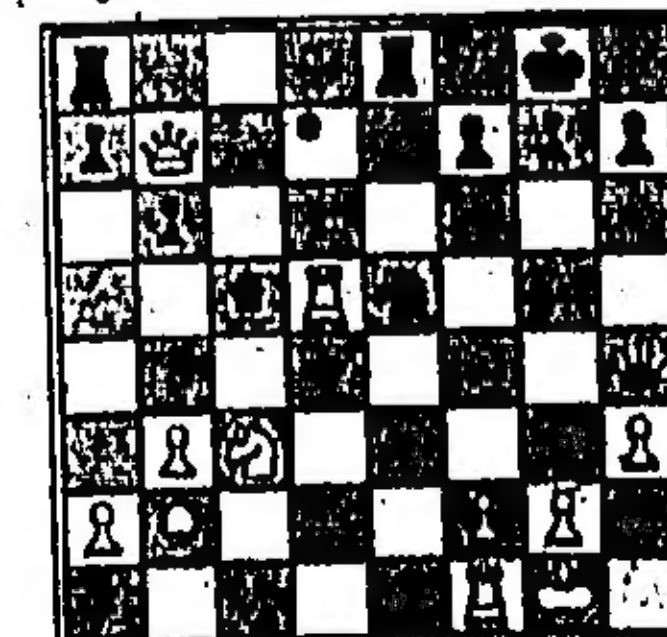
TODAY'S QUESTION
Your partner's next bid is three diamonds. What do you do?
Answer Tomorrow

TARGET

How many words of four letters or more can you find in the letters in the square on the left? Each word must contain the large letter in the center square, and there must be at least one letter in the list. No plurals; no foreign words. Each word must be at least four letters long. Each word must be a valid word in the dictionary. Each word must be a valid word in the dictionary. Each word must be a valid word in the dictionary.

CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



From actual play: Black to move and win.
Solution No. 523: 1. Q-Q2 (threat 2. R-K5), P-B7; 2. Q-Q2 (threat 3. R-K5), P-B7; 3. Q-Q2 (threat 4. R-K5), P-B7; 4. Q-Q2 (threat 5. R-K5), P-B7; 5. Q-Q2 (threat 6. R-K5), P-B7; 6. Q-Q2 (threat 7. R-K5), P-B7; 7. Q-Q2 (threat 8. R-K5), P-B7; 8. Q-Q2 (threat 9. R-K5), P-B7; 9. Q-Q2 (threat 10. R-K5), P-B7; 10. Q-Q2 (threat 11. R-K5), P-B7; 11. Q-Q2 (threat 12. R-K5), P-B7; 12. Q-Q2 (threat 13. R-K5), P-B7; 13. Q-Q2 (threat 14. R-K5), P-B7; 14. Q-Q2 (threat 15. R-K5), P-B7; 15. Q-Q2 (threat 16. R-K5), P-B7; 16. Q-Q2 (threat 17. R-K5), P-B7; 17. Q-Q2 (threat 18. R-K5), P-B7; 18. Q-Q2 (threat 19. R-K5), P-B7; 19. Q-Q2 (threat 20. R-K5), P-B7; 20. Q-Q2 (threat 21. R-K5), P-B7; 21. Q-Q2 (threat 22. R-K5), P-B7; 22. Q-Q2 (threat 23. R-K5), P-B7; 23. Q-Q2 (threat 24. R-K5), P-B7; 24. Q-Q2 (threat 25. R-K5), P-B7; 25. Q-Q2 (threat 26. R-K5), P-B7; 26. Q-Q2 (threat 27. R-K5), P-B7; 27. Q-Q2 (threat 28. R-K5), P-B7; 28. Q-Q2 (threat 29. R-K5), P-B7; 29. Q-Q2 (threat 30. R-K5), P-B7; 30. 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PLAYERS TO WATCH IN 1958

They Can Bring The World Cup Home

DESMOND HACKETT'S COLUMN

PATTERSON SOCIAL ENDS SWAGGER

London.

Floyd Patterson, securely enthroned heavyweight champion of the world, is due in London Town this month. Now! Now! You heavyweight types who have been swaggering around offering to do battle with Gentle Willie Pastrano, there is no need to emigrate. Flattening Floyd, the dark, awesome young man from Brooklyn, intends to make this a social call. Well, as social as a practising heavyweight can allow himself to be.

Apart from his social side this most lethal citizen on earth may be persuaded to appear at the Empress Hall, London, on January 14. (Harry Levine would hate me mentioning that he is running his big show at the Empress Hall on that very night.)

Hey! I wish you heavyweight chaps would stop packing your bags and reaching for passports. Patterson's part in the proceeding at the Empress Hall would be to take a polite bow.

The peak of danger may be that he would do a little gentle exercise by way of sparring the odd round or so.

Just A Mention

While Floyd Patterson and his manager, Gus D'Amato, are taking in the sights of London, the various gymnasia and fight stadia, they may mention such matters as Patterson putting up his world title over here in the good old summer time.

(Now is the chance for you British heavyweights to start looking up expedition diets to the North Pole.)

And when such words as world heavyweight fights and Britain are being mentioned the ears of Harry Levine will be slapping like an inquisitive elephant.

The old boxing ringmaster Levine has been promised—terms and box office permitting—Patterson will come over here to air his title. Defend is too strong a word.

Oh dear! I was just going to tell the British muscle men to

come from under cover when this terrifying item came in—"If Machen can't get action here he will go to England."

Interpreting this message: Machen is Eddie Machen, World No. 2. Patterson does not wish to meet Machen, and Machen is finding it hard to keep gainfully occupied in America.

Home Hope

All world-title talk is not fun-fun from America.

Only the other day the British Boxing Board said that when British welterweight champion Peter Waterman fights European champion Emilio Marconi, of Italy, for his title, this will be an eliminator for the world championship currently without a holder.

(Jack Solomons would hate me mentioning that this is his top of the bill at Harringay on January 28.)

When signing for this fight Waterman agreed to leave town for a month and accepted a series of clauses of no cars, no horses, no cycles, no smoking.

In spite of the generosity of the British Boxing Board and the cautious wisdom of Mr. Solomons, I am reluctantly compelled to add—and no world title.

The world ratings which reached me yesterday do not mention Waterman or Marconi. But they do include as world No. 9 Kid Gavilan. And you know what Gavilan did to young Master Waterman.

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I think 1958 is going to be one of the most memorable years in the history of football. This is the year when I think the world will be acclaiming England as world champions. Yes, if we get the run of the ball, I honestly believe England have the players to win the World Cup.

This is the year when bold new plans are envisaged—a New Deal for the players; perhaps a percentage of transfer fees for them; rewards for the one-club man in the way of extra benefits.

And, above all, 1958 will, I think, provide for us a host of glittering new stars. I think we saw signs of that in the closing months of 1957.

These are just some of the boys I think will make big news in 1958.

At Chelsea, Manager Ted Drake has assembled a whole array of young players like Peter Brabrook and Jimmy Greaves. The 17-year-old Greaves started the football world when he burst upon the soccer scene; and in 1958 I think we will see his genius as an inside-forward flower even more. Put JIMMY GREAVES down as one of the players to watch in 1958.

While we are discussing Chelsea here's hoping their England left-winger FRANK BLUNSTONE comes bounding back into the game after breaking his leg for a second time.

Blunstone has been one of football's luckiest players, but he is still young enough to come back with a bang in 1958.

Improved Player

Perhaps the most improved player in 1957 was JOE HAYES, the Manchester City inside-forward. Little Joe first sprang to fame as one of Manchester City's twin centre-forwards when they had Don Revie as the decaying scheme. It was Hayes who shot the first goal at Wembley in 1956 when City won the FA Cup. Many people thought him just a goal-snatcher. Now the little Farnsworth player has come surging into the picture, as a maker as well as a taker of goals.

At Preston we, too, claim a lad who has made tremendous strides in 1957, and he should have a great future in 1958. I refer to DENNIS HATSELL. He is a whole-hearted player, never stops moving about, takes the knocks with a grin, and I should imagine few centre-halfs relish playing against this non-stop centre-forward.

In Manchester they have become used to Matt Busby producing young stars as though he were a magician. Latest out of the Busby fold is outside-right KEN MORGANS. Swansens boy who was capped as a player by Wales. I gather the lad is a great Stan Matthews fan; he could not have a better player to model his play on.

Young Starlets

Morgans was sought by Arsenal and Swansens but he ended up at Old Trafford. I have yet to see him, but the buzz has already gone round that this rangy 18-year-old in fast with the ball, courageous, hits a hard accurate centre, and can shoot and head. In fact he is another of the young starlets to look out for in the New Year.

Surely Cliff is the fastest winger in the game with the ball. Some of his lightning runs remind one irresistibly of a rugby wing three-quarter. Now he is moulding his individual talent into the pattern of team play. In full cry with the ball there is no doubt at all that Cliff Jones is a most difficult man to stop.

Here's another winger for your 1958 book—DEREK WILKINSON of Sheffield Wednesday. He plays on the right, and he is quick and direct.

Everton fans had a thin time of it towards the end of 1957, but there are a number of fine young players at Goodison Park. The one who has taken my eye is 18-year-old DEREK TEMPLE. At present he is used as a goal

grabber, for he is fast and he doesn't need much room in which to shoot. But he is quite smart at taking up the open spaces and I fancy in the years to come he will develop into a good all-round inside-forward.

There was quite a flurry of interest when Portsmouth went to Ireland to sign centre-forward DEREK DOUGAN. I believe they have found a winner. Like many Irish players when they first come over, Derek could perhaps do with being a little faster. But he is a clever pin down, and is always making room for himself by his wandering.

Carter's Protege

For a long time Ralph Carter, manager of Leeds United, has been telling the football world that he had a fine prospect in CHRIS CROWE, his 17-year-old inside-forward. In recent weeks Carter's confidence in him is not misplaced. Ralph Carter, one of the finest inside-forwards ever to wear an England shirt, knows full well what this job entails, and it could well be that in 1958 he shall see Crowe hitting the high spots.

And what about ALICK JEFFREY of Doncaster Rovers, protege of that other great inside-forward Peter Deherty? Jeffrey, one of England's brightest young hopes, has been out of action since he broke a leg playing for England's Under 23 side some 15 months ago. May 1958 be the year of your great comeback, Alick?

With all these fine young players about I am sure Britain can show the world that it is tops in the game. (COPYRIGHT)

Sports Diary

TODAY

Holland Cup—Army "A" v Army "B", 3 p.m.
Athletics
Entries close for 10-Mile Road Race.
Shoot
Entries close for Fullbore Rifle Meeting, 5 p.m.

TOMORROW

Cricket
1st Division—Army "South" v Police; CCC v KCC; RAY v Renshaw; 2nd Division—KCC "Home" v MCC; 3rd Division—CCC v Renshaw; 4th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 5th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 6th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 7th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 8th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 9th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 10th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 11th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 12th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 13th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 14th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 15th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 16th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 17th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 18th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 19th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 20th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 21st Division—CCC v Renshaw; 22nd Division—CCC v Renshaw; 23rd Division—CCC v Renshaw; 24th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 25th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 26th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 27th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 28th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 29th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 30th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 31st Division—CCC v Renshaw; 32nd Division—CCC v Renshaw; 33rd Division—CCC v Renshaw; 34th Division—CCC v Renshaw; 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ADVENTURE AND A SPANISH LOVE STORY

"**DANGEROUS EXILE**," which comes to the Queen's and Alhambra today is a colourful film in romantic mood. Set in the time of the French Revolution, it has a VistaVision balloon drift into the colourful countryside of Pembrokeshire in Wales carrying a little boy. I have not the slightest intention of revealing who the little lad is, for thereby hangs the tale.

At any rate, that is the episode that introduces all the romantic play that follows, and makes this modern age seem so dull and a precise thing.

From then on there is sword-play, spies turning up breathless with intrigue, and secret passages, and all sorts of excitement we recapture from the film.

Now in this film, Belinda Lee is good. She hasn't yet obtained that exciting presence we associate with films of this kind. On the other hand she does look as if she belongs to it, and isn't wishing herself somewhere else, or in some other time.

In the film are Louis Jourdan and Keith Michell. This film, which comes from the Rank Organisation is made in Eastman colour, and achieves some beautiful colour effects, especially with its cloud and twilight effects.

"Dangerous Exile" was directed by Brian Desmond Hurst, and I recommend the film to all those romantically inclined people who find yesterday, with its "forsooths" and sword, and swashbuckling heroes, so much more exciting than today.

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"SPANISH AFFAIR,"

which opens at the King's and Princess today, is a love story set against a background of torrid flamenco music, and filmed on location in Spain.

This colourful and exciting film made by Paramount in



Belinda Lee as she appears in "Dangerous Exile," which opens today at Queen's and Alhambra.

VistaVision and Technicolor brings out the enchantment of faraway cities of romantic content such as Madrid, Barcelona, Segovia, and Toledo.

Starring in this romantic episode is Richard Kiley, who is exceedingly popular on stage and TV, in the States. He undertakes the role of an American architect who has gone to Spain to build an hotel.

Since he can speak no Spanish, he has to engage a bilingual secretary, Carmen Sevilla, to help him get round a tough assignment.

Now in Spain, they rate Miss Sevilla quite high, reckoning her every bit as good, if not better, than other Continental beauties better known to us.

The film gets its movement from the fact that Kiley has to journey round Spain to interview three members of the board responsible for the hotel he is to build.

Unfortunately, complications set in. The plans for the hotel seem all right, but the plan to take Kiley's secretary on tour upsets her gipsy lover, Jose Guardiola, who follows them around.

You can't help noticing that the plot is a bit like "Carmen"

rigged out in 20th century attire, but the love business and the jealousy is as old as Adam.

Light music lovers will appreciate the original score written by Daniele Amilcar, which contains a wide range of the currently popular flamenco music.

I should have mentioned earlier that Miss Sevilla is as renowned on the Continent as a dancer and a singer as she is an actress, consequently, she is called upon to take part in several important musical production numbers in the film.

Donald Siegel directed "Spanish Affair" and I recommend it as an enjoyable and colourful piece of entertainment.

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KISHI'S S.E. ASIA PLAN MAY GET US SUPPORT

By STEWART HENSLEY

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The Kishi plan, it was pointed out by American and Japanese officials alike, aims at bolstering the economies of non-Communist South-east Asia countries and, at the same time, increasing the strength of Japan as a democratic ally in Asia.

Thus, it would accomplish two of the principal objectives set forth in the President's address. The bolstering of newly-independent countries against the danger of Red penetration and the strengthening of nations already firmly committed to the non-Communist side.

Kishi has been seeking for some time a pledge of American financial support for his plan to utilize Japanese skills, technicians and resources in a broad programme to assist southeast Asian countries with their development programme.

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96-YEAR-OLD FLEA EXPERT STILL AT WORK

By SIDNEY TAILOR

London, Jan. 9.

DR KARL JORDAN, described by fellow scientists as the world's greatest expert on fleas, is still hard at work although he celebrated his 96th birthday in December.

On five mornings of every week, he goes to the museum at Tring, near London, established 64 years ago by the second Lord Rothschild and himself and since taken over by the British Museum. There, his one serviceable eye is often pressed to a microscope.

For Dr Jordan helped to lay the foundation of entomological work on "diseases" tracing the connection between the flea, the rat, the bubonic plague and malaria, just as Ross had linked that other blood-sucker, the mosquito, with malaria.

But probably his greatest contribution to science has been to reduce the unknown world of the flea to a system of precise, scholarly identification—a classification which has taken him over 50 years.

STIMULATED

In all parts of the world, says Dr. Eugene Munroe of the Entomology Division in Ottawa, are scientists whose work has been immeasurably stimulated by Dr Jordan, personally or by letter.

From 1865 to the present day, Dr Jordan has produced a never-ending stream of papers and publications on insects, ranging from African longicorns to "a very remarkable new flea from Argentina. Just before his 96th birthday, he completed a very difficult treatise on a group which had puzzled other workers at the British Museum—"The genus of Palaeoflea and Nearctic Flea."

The path to fame of Dr. Jordan, seventy-seven, began when he met a young man from Germany, began when he met a strange Englishman who was on holiday. This Englishman was the second Lord Rothschild, eccentric, large, and with an enormous head. He was always on the verge of being dismissed.

With an amazing singleness of purpose which runs like a steel thread through his life, Jordan, working often far into the night, produced his "systematic" of classification, the first reasoning key to that part of "the rival world" of insects occupied by the flea.

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ASTONISHED

Awkward in speech and manner and never a lover of social life, he regularly angered his father. One biographer has recalled that he was constantly in difficulties, whether it was with a cassowary or a chorus girl, a final income tax demand or a hungry iguana.

To Cambridge University, he took a large stock of books, and he was wont to astonish Piccadilly by bowling along in a carriage drawn by four lovely zebras.

Among his activities, he amassed the world's greatest collection of 2,500,000 fleas, beetles, butterflies and moths and brought young Jordan, still in unknown teacher in Germany, over to England in 1893 to classify the first 100,000. Within a year, 60,000 different species had been identified and arranged, although Jordan had no proper desk in the two cottages which comprised the museum and the best light for work with the microscope was beside a window on a landing.

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96-YEAR-OLD FLEA EXPERT STILL AT WORK

By SIDNEY TAILOR

London, Jan. 9.

DR KARL JORDAN, described by fellow scientists as the world's greatest expert on fleas, is still hard at work although he celebrated his 96th birthday in December.

On five mornings of every week, he goes to the museum at Tring, near London, established 64 years ago by the second Lord Rothschild and himself and since taken over by the British Museum. There, his one serviceable eye is often pressed to a microscope.

For Dr Jordan helped to lay the foundation of entomological work on "diseases" tracing the connection between the flea, the rat, the bubonic plague and malaria, just as Ross had linked that other blood-sucker, the mosquito, with malaria.

But probably his greatest contribution to science has been to reduce the unknown world of the flea to a system of precise, scholarly identification—a classification which has taken him over 50 years.

STIMULATED

In all parts of the world, says Dr. Eugene Munroe of the Entomology Division in Ottawa, are scientists whose work has been immeasurably stimulated by Dr Jordan, personally or by letter.

From 1865 to the present day, Dr Jordan has produced a never-ending stream of papers and publications on insects, ranging from African longicorns to "a very remarkable new flea from Argentina. Just before his 96th birthday, he completed a very difficult treatise on a group which had puzzled other workers at the British Museum—"The genus of Palaeoflea and Nearctic Flea."

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From the Files

25 years AGO

It is understood that a professor who resided in the Police district has been engaged by the University of Hongkong, to teach Chinese literature and is expected to arrive shortly.

The St George's Society held its annual ball at the Peninsula Hotel yesterday with over 700 guests attending. Guests of honour were H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel.

WITH dramatic suddenness, police raiding parties descended simultaneously on massage shops in Queen's Road last night arresting most of the occupants. Police action followed complaints that these shops were being used for other than advertised purposes.

New York: Ex-President Coolidge is dead. He was found in his home at Northampton, Massachusetts, by his wife. His death is believed to have been due to heart disease.

TUE, Right Rev. Dr. Ronald Owen Hall, new Anglican Bishop of Hongkong, was given a warm welcome by the Victoria Diocesan Missionary Association at the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon. Nearly 200 people were present including H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel.

For the second time within the space of a few months a burglary has occurred at the residence of Mr. W. J. Waddell, Manager of the F & O Bank, at No. 519, The Peak, Magazine Camp. Two fur coats, a red fox neck fur, a new blanket and a quantity of underclothing were stolen. The total loss is put at \$55.

A DRAV-HORSE was electrocuted in an Osaka Street recently. The victim was also found in the electric shock under his feet, jumped away, and so escaped. Upon police examination it was found that an electric power cable to a factory near by was insufficiently insulated and earthed through the horse.

A fight among wharf coolies and two surf front workers threatened to develop into a serious affray on Saturday night. A hurried message to the Police Station brought out the emergency unit and the disturbance was quickly quelled.

ONE of the most sensational jewel robberies during the past few years occurred aboard the N.Y.K. liner, *Kashima Maru* while the vessel was travelling between Shanghai and Hongkong last week. The victim was Mrs. H.S. Wood, proprietress of the Jade Tree and the value of the jewellery stolen approximates \$20,000.

V.G. Coates and P. Hughes, who were recently sentenced to imprisonment for stealing away, were yesterday committed to the House of Detention pending arrangements for sending them away.

MADRID: Altogether ten were killed and 21 injured in the riots that broke out in the Barcelona districts on Sunday night. There were 22 arrests in Catalonia. The fighting was due to a combination of Anarchist and Syndicalist rising mainly concentrated on the barracks.

Fifty-seven students received their degrees from the hands of the Chancellor of the Hongkong University yesterday at the University yesterday.

Inspectors of Accidents

Mr. R. Winkip and Mr. E. S. Hewson of the Civil Aviation Department, have been appointed Inspectors of Accidents under the Hongkong Air Navigation Regulations.

The appointment, to take effect from January 1, was announced in today's Government Gazette.

Game Warden

Commander J. N. Humphreys, RN, was appointed an honorary game warden under the Wild Birds and Wild Mammals Protection Ordinance.

The appointment, which is for two years, became effective as from January, according to today's Government Gazette.

Official JP

Mr. Li Chik-nung has been appointed an Official Justice of the Peace as from January 1, according to today's Government Gazette.

Rainfall

Over half an inch of rain fell up to noon today. The Royal Observatory announced this morning that it had recorded 0.8 inches (less than a

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ADMIRAL "SNORKEL" PEN

Former HK Regiment Commander Honoured

Lieut-Col Stewart L. A. Carter, MC, former Commanding Officer of the Hongkong Regiment, was awarded the OBE by HM the Queen for service in Oman.

The award was published in the New Year Honours List in the London Times on January 1.

Col Carter, whose parent unit is the Sherwood Foresters, was in command of the Trucial Oman Scouts, one of the units directly engaged in the fighting in Oman last August.

A popular officer among the members of the Royal Hongkong Defence Force, Col Carter came to the Colony and took command of the Hongkong Regiment in October 1952.

He remained in command until 1955 when he returned to the United Kingdom to take up another appointment. Finally, he was given the command of the Trucial Oman Scouts late in 1956.

Col Carter earned his Military Cross in the second world war.

HKAAR

The appointment of Wing Commander J. E. L. Larson, AFC, as Commanding Officer of the Hongkong Auxiliary Air Force, has been extended for a further period of one year as from January 1, according to today's Government Gazette.

The same announcement states that Pilot Officers E. H. Rawlings and F. M. Botelho have been appointed Flying Officers of the Hongkong Auxiliary Air Force. The appointments were to take effect on December 14.

GAMING CONVICTION DISMISSED

Magistrate Lost Sight Of Actual Charge

Mr Justice C. W. Reece in the Appeals Court this morning quashed the conviction against 12 people on three charges of keeping a common gaming house, playing in a common gaming house and using premises for the purpose of fighting crickets.

The appeal was brought by the 12 people against the decision of Miss B. K. Searle who found that they had played in a common gaming house in Ko Shing Street on August 31, last year.

The appellants were represented by Mr Lawrence Leong, instructed by Mr W. H. Young. Mr J. McRobert, Crown Counsel, appeared for the Crown.

Ruling

Quashing the conviction on the first two charges, Mr Justice Reece ruled that the conviction reached by the Magistrate in her reasons for holding that the premises were a common gaming house was not and could not be supported by the evidence and she was therefore not right in so holding. It followed that the Magistrate could not be right in holding that all the appellants were gaming therein. His Lordship added:

"If there was no common gaming house there could not be any keeper, he said. The Magistrate had held that all the appellants were 'assisting' at the fighting of the crickets and thereby committed an offence under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Ordinance."

Mr Justice Reece said the charge on the information was that the appellants had "used" the premises for the purpose of cricket fighting.

"It is clear that the learned Magistrate, when she stated her reasons for convicting the appellants on the third charge of the information, lost sight of the actual offence charged, and it seems to me to be quite beside the point whether or not the appellants were 'assisting' at the fighting of two crickets. "Even if the learned Magistrate was right in holding that the appellants were assisting in the fighting of two crickets that would not justify a conviction for using the premises for such a purpose."

Distinct

"Under the paragraph of the section under which the charge is brought, 'assisting' at the fighting or bailing of any animal' and 'using any premises or place for that purpose' are two separate and distinct offences," Mr Justice Reece said.

"For the reasons which I have given, I am of the opinion that on the case as it is stated the appeal ought to be allowed and that the appellants ought not to have been convicted."



Mr Harry Odell with Ginette Doyen and Jean Fournier, the famous French artists, at Kai Tak this morning. — China Mail.

Certificate May Be Treated As Invalid

Mr Justice C. W. Reece at the Appeals Court this morning ruled that a Magistrate may treat as invalid a certificate of dismissal issued by another Magistrate where there had been no hearing of the case before him.

The Judge allowed an appeal by way of a case stated brought by the Crown against the decision of a Magistrate who refused to hear two charges preferred against a defendant. Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Senior Crown Counsel, represented the Crown. Mr Patrick Yu, instructed by Mr Peter Mo, of Messrs Peter Mo and Co., represented the respondent, Au Chi.

Decision

In his written decision, Mr Justice Reece said that on October 18, last year, two charges of unlawfully attempting to pervert the due course of law and justice were preferred against Au.

The respondent was at first charged before Mr T. Creedon on a summons containing the two counts. Mr Creedon dismissed the summons without any enquiry into the facts.

On an application being made, Mr Creedon issued a certificate of dismissal in accordance with Section 19(4) of the Magistrates Ordinance.

The Crown subsequently brought up the matter before another Magistrate, Mr G. R. Sneath, who dismissed the two charges, but posed the following questions for the decision of the Appeals Court:

(a) Whether section 19(4) was purely procedural in its content or whether a certificate issued in compliance with its provisions barred any subsequent complaint or information, regardless of whether another acquit was pleaded; and

(b) whether a Magistrate may treat as invalid and of no effect a certificate issued where no investigation of the merits of the case had been held.

Contention

Mr Justice Reece said it was contended by Crown Counsel that before the Magistrate could issue his certificate there must have been first a hearing on the merits of the case.

His Lordship held that Mr Creedon had failed to comply with the provisions of sub-section (2) of section 19 in failing to hear what each party had to say before giving the certificate.

He was of the opinion, Mr Justice Reece continued, that Mr Sneath should have satisfied himself as to whether the certificate had been properly given and was not bound to give effect to the certificate by the mere fact of its having been issued.

The Judge ruled that the giving of a certificate of dismissal was, when a Magistrate had complied with the provisions of sub-section (2) a ministerial act, not a judicial act, and the Magistrate was

bound to grant the certificate, but the issue was not in itself a bar to any subsequent complaint.

On the second point for decision, His Lordship held that a Magistrate may treat as invalid and of no effect a certificate issued where there had been no hearing, not necessarily where there had been no investigation of the merits.

Remitted

"For the reasons which I have given," Mr Justice Reece said in conclusion, "it is my opinion that the matter ought to be remitted to the Magistrate (Mr Sneath) and I accordingly do remit the same, with the direction that notwithstanding the certificate of dismissal given by Mr Creedon, he (Mr Sneath) should in the circumstances of this case, hear and determine the two charges aforesaid."

The Government Gazette today announced the appointment of Mr David George Willis, Barrister-at-Law, to perform the functions of Crown Counsel with effect from January 8.

ORDER OF ST JOHN

Today's Government Gazette states that Her Majesty the Queen has been graciously pleased to sanction the following appointments to the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem:

Mr Ronald Alfred Edwards and Mr Lam Wing-kam promoted to the Grade of Officer (Brother) from Serving Brother. Mr John Robert Jones, MC, admitted in the Grade of Officer (Brother). Dr Lam Shiu-chun, Dr Lam Yu-shing, Mr Ngan Kwong-yam, Mr Shek Ho-ham, Mr So Chung-shun, Mr Wei Yiu-wah, Mr Wong Tak-ho, Dr Wong Wa-kwan and Dr Woo Pak-foo admitted in the Grade of Serving Brother.

CONSUL

Dr Klausner Floth was accorded formal recognition as Vice-Consul for the Federal Republic of Germany at Hongkong by HE the Officer Administering the Government, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies. The recognition was announced in today's Government Gazette.

Urban Council

Today's Government Gazette announced that Mr J. W. Ferris was appointed an Assistant Secretary to the Urban Council as from January 2.

SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"I think he's better, but he's so wrapped up in a few afternoon TV programmes he won't go back to the office!"

NOVEMBER SURPLUS

The financial statement for the month of November last year as contained in today's Government Gazette showed a surplus of \$8,975,665.00. The General Revenue Balance as at November 30, 1957, was \$399,838,430.45. Revenue for that month was \$50,289,351.05 and expenditure \$41,313,686.05.

Two Women Injured In Accidents

Two Chinese women were injured in separate traffic accidents yesterday.

A private car knocked down Mak Kun-mui in Garden Road, near St John's Cathedral, at about 4.40 pm. The woman, who lives at No 3, Wavell House, was admitted to Queen Mary Hospital.

Cheng Mu-king, aged 10, was struck and seriously injured by a military vehicle in Castle Peak Road, near Kom Trau Street, shortly after 7 pm.

Cheng, who lives at House No 12 Fifth District, Wai Nam Village, is being treated in Kowloon Hospital.

NEW SAS PRESIDENT

Mr Ake Ruck, former President of the Swedish State Power Board, has formally taken office as President of Scandinavian Airlines System.

He assumed the post on January 1, succeeding Mr. Henning Thron-Holst, who had headed the three-nation Consortium since January 1, 1955.

Mr Thron-Holst announced in April, 1957, that he planned to retire from his airline post because of other business interests which demanded his full attention.

Mr Ruck was named to succeed him by the SAS Board of Directors in April, 1957.

DEFENCE FORCE

Major J. E. Nicol, a Reserve Officer of the Royal Hongkong Defence Force, has been permitted to resign his commission, according to today's Government Gazette.

It was also announced that Major H. A. de Barros Botelho of the Hongkong Regiment, was posted to the Reserves.

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